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AOTI Operating Company, Inc., assignee of the entire right title and interest in the above-identified application by assignment, a copy of which is submitted herewith, hereby appoints the following attorneys and/or agents of the firm of Perkins Coie LLP:

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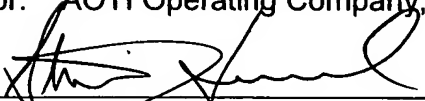
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The assignee certifies that it has reviewed the assignment and to the best of the assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee.

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